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(U) Modesto – 15 Year Sentence for Modesto Man who Planned Pier 39 Christmas Day Plot

(U) Everitt Aaron Jameson received a 15-year sentence after reaching a plea deal yesterday for his plot to carry out a Christmas Day bombing and shooting attack at a popular San Francisco tourist attraction. Authorities arrested Jameson on 22 December after he told undercover federal agents of his plot. He admitted to the agents he planned to use pipe bombs to channel victims into part of the popular tourist destination so he could shoot them, according to court documents. Under the plea deal Jameson admitted to attempting to aid a terrorist organization after he planned the attacks.

SOURCE: 4 June 2018, [CBS Sacramento](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Arizona – Suspected Serial Killer Fatally Shoots Himself

(U) Phoenix – A man suspected of killing six people, including a noted psychiatrist who advised prosecutors investigating high-profile murders, killed himself yesterday as police closed in on the Phoenix-area hotel where he was staying. Investigators had been searching for Dwight Jones, 56, since psychiatrist Steven Pitt, 59, was found dead outside his office on 31 May, the first of a string of killings that left the Phoenix area on edge. Police originally said the suspect killed four people but on Monday said there were two additional victims. Police believe he may have been seeking revenge from a 2009 divorce case.

SOURCE: 4 June 2018, [Reuters](#)

(U) District of Columbia – US to Hire 311 New Prosecutors in Push against Violent Crimes, Drugs

(U) Washington DC – Attorney General Jeff Sessions said yesterday the Justice Department was beefing up its fight against violent crime, drug use and illegal immigration by assigning 311 new prosecutors to work on the problems, the largest increase in decades. “The Department of Justice is going on offense against violent crime, illegal immigration and the opioid crisis - and today we are sending in reinforcements,” Sessions said in a statement. A spokesman for the Justice Department said the 311 assistant US attorney posts were all new positions and had not yet been filled. Sessions said he had funded the effort by eliminating spending in other areas and reallocating the money to focus on the priority areas.

SOURCE: 4 June 2018, [Reuters](#)

(U) District of Columbia – US Ex-Defense Intelligence Officer Held Over Alleged Spying for China

(U) Washington DC – A former officer with the US Defense Intelligence Agency was arrested over the weekend for allegedly trying to spy on the United States for China. The Federal Bureau of Investigation took Ron Rockwell Hansen, 58 into custody on 2 June while he was on his way to the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport to get a connecting flight to China. The department said he has been accused of trying to transmit national defense information to China and with receiving “hundreds of thousands of

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dollars” while acting illegally as an agent for the Chinese government. Hansen is the latest person in a string of former US intelligence officers to be swept up in criminal probes related to spying for the Chinese.

SOURCE: 4 June 2018, [Reuters](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL**(U) England – Stopped From Joining ISIS, Teen Planned London Attack**

(U) London – A London teenager who wanted to attack the British Museum with grenades and firearms after she was prevented from traveling to Syria to marry an ISIS militant was convicted yesterday of planning acts of terrorism. Safaa Boular, 18, had started chatting online to fighter Naweed Husain when she was 16. She had decided to join him in Syria so they could marry, then carry out a suicide attack there while holding hands. Husain had sent Boular’s older sister, Rizlaine Boular, 3,000 pounds (\$4,000) to pay for Safaa’s travel arrangements, but the sisters were arrested in August 2016. They were released on bail but had their passport confiscated. Safaa Boular continued chatting to Husain, and the pair discussed plans for her to attack the British Museum, one of central London’s top attractions for visitors, with what she called “pineapples” - grenades.

SOURCE: 4 June 2018, [Reuters](#)

(U) Niger – Nine Killed in Suicide Attacks

(U) Diffa – Nine people were killed in three suicide bombings in southeastern Niger near the border with Nigeria. The attacks occurred yesterday in the regional capital of Diffa, a frequent target of the Boko Haram jihadist group. An official reported that two young women and a man blew themselves up in different parts of the city targeting an Islamic school in a busy area. Security forces have cordoned off the sites and are carrying out search operations throughout the city, a security source said.

SOURCE: 4 June 2018, [Yahoo News](#)

(U) Nigeria – At Least 180 Prisoners at Large After Jail Raid

(U) Minna – At least 180 prisoners were at large after escaping from a jail in the Nigerian city of Minna during a raid on the facility, a minister and prison authority official said yesterday. Gunmen attacked a medium security prison in the city in the central Nigerian state of Niger on Sunday. Interior minister General Abdulrahman Dabazzau said 30 inmates had been captured but 180 fled. A prison services official said the number of prisoners at large could be higher. Prison authorities said an investigation was underway to determine the circumstances surrounding the raid and escape.

SOURCE: 4 June 2018, [Reuters](#)

(U) Ukraine – State Security Service Prevented Cyber-Attack on NATO Country Embassy

(U) Kiev – Ukraine’s state security service (SBU) prevented a cyber-attack on the embassy of a NATO country in Kiev, it said in a statement on Tuesday, without specifying which one. The hackers had used information gleaned from Ukraine’s health ministry to try to launch the attack, the statement said.

SOURCE: 5 June 2018, [Reuters](#)

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